

**Congress of the United States**  
**Washington, DC 20515**

November 28, 2018

Dear Democratic Colleagues:

The historic participation in this month's election reflects the energy that we've seen build over the past two years. Having leadership in place who are able to strategically channel that excitement into a successful Democratic agenda will be critical to our continued success. That's why we endorse Congressman Ben Ray Luján for Assistant Democratic Leader.

As the Chair of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee, he led our efforts to flip the House by listening to his colleagues, making difficult decisions, and executing a thoughtful and comprehensive strategy that ushered in one of the most diverse classes of new Members in history.

Over his decade-long career in Congress, Ben Ray has been a fierce advocate for access to health care, a champion for clean energy and broadband deployment, and a leader in creating jobs and spurring economic growth both nationally and in his district. That determination was on display earlier this year when Republicans sought to rip protections away for mental health care, make it harder for women to access family planning services, and gut Medicaid. During a 27-hour Energy and Commerce markup on the Republican repeal legislation, Ben Ray was a leading voice on behalf of the American people and defended their right to high-quality, affordable health coverage.

We know that when it comes to voting on the side of American families and vulnerable populations, Ben Ray will deliver. We also know he will genuinely listen, create opportunities for all Members to grow, and diligently work to deliver on his commitments.

We look forward to supporting him to be our next Assistant Democratic Leader.

Sincerely,

1. Rep. Nydia Velázquez (NY-7)
2. Rep. Kathy Castor (FL-14)
3. Rep. Lucille Roybal-Allard (CA-40)
4. Rep. Betty McCollum (MN-4)
5. Rep. Lois Frankel (FL-21)
6. Rep. Ann McClane Kuster (NH-2)
7. Rep. Debbie Dingell (MI-12)
8. Rep. Joyce Beatty (OH-3)
9. Rep. Terri Sewell (AL-7)
10. Rep. Tom O'Halleran (AZ-1)
11. Rep.-Elect Ann Kirkpatrick (AZ-2)
12. Rep. Raúl Grijalva (AZ-3)
13. Rep. Ruben Gallego (AZ-7)
14. Rep.-Elect Greg Stanton (AZ-9)
15. Rep. Jared Huffman (CA-2)
16. Rep. Mike Thompson (CA-5)
17. Rep. Doris Matsui (CA-6)
18. Rep. Jerry McNerney (CA-9)
19. Rep.-Elect Josh Harder (CA-10)
20. Rep. Mark DeSaulnier (CA-11)
21. Rep. Jackie Speier (CA-14)
22. Rep. Jim Costa (CA-16)
23. Rep. Ro Khanna (CA-17)
24. Rep. Anna G. Eshoo (CA-18)
25. Rep. Jimmy Panetta (CA-20)
26. Rep. Salud Carbajal (CA-24)
27. Rep.-Elect Katie Hill (CA-25)
28. Rep. Julia Brownley (CA-26)
29. Rep. Judy Chu (CA-27)
30. Rep. Adam Schiff (CA-28)
31. Rep. Tony Cardenas (CA-29)
32. Rep. Brad Sherman (CA-30)
33. Rep. Pete Aguilar (CA-31)
34. Rep. Grace Napolitano (CA-32)
35. Rep. Ted Lieu (CA-33)
36. Rep. Jimmy Gomez (CA-34)
37. Rep. Norma Torres (CA-35)
38. Rep. Raul Ruiz (CA-36)
39. Rep. Karen Bass (CA-37)
40. Rep.-Elect Gil Cisneros (CA-39)

41. Rep. Mark Takano (CA-41)
42. Rep. Maxine Waters (CA-43)
43. Rep. Nanette Barragán (CA-44)
44. Rep.-Elect Katie Porter (CA-45)
45. Rep. Lou Correa (CA-46)
46. Rep. Alan Lowenthal (CA-47)
47. Rep.-Elect Harley Rouda (CA-48)
48. Rep.-Elect Mike Levin (CA-49)
49. Rep. Juan Vargas (CA-51)
50. Rep. Scott Peters (CA-52)
51. Rep. Susan Davis (CA-53)
52. Rep. Diana DeGette (CO-1)
53. Rep.-Elect Joe Neguse (CO-2)
54. Rep. Ed Perlmutter (CO-7)
55. Rep. John Larson (CT-1)
56. Rep. Rosa DeLauro (CT-3)
57. Rep. Jim Himes (CT-4)
58. Rep. Eleanor Holmes Norton (DC-1)
59. Rep. Lisa Blunt Rochester (DE-1)
60. Rep. Alfred Lawson Jr. (FL-5)
61. Rep. Darren Soto (FL-9)
62. Rep. Val Demings (FL-10)
63. Rep. Charlie Crist (FL-13)
64. Rep. Alcee Hastings (FL-20)
65. Rep. Ted Deutch (FL-22)
66. Rep. Debbie Wasserman Schultz (FL-23)
67. Rep.-Elect Debbie Mucarsel-Powell (FL-26)
68. Rep.-Elect Donna Shalala (FL-27)
69. Rep. Hank Johnson (GA-4)
70. Rep. John Lewis (GA-5)
71. Rep.-Elect Abby Finkenauer (IA-1)
72. Rep. Dave Loebsack (IA-2)
73. Rep.-Elect Cindy Axne (IA-3)
74. Rep. Bobby Rush (IL-1)
75. Rep. Robin Kelly (IL-2)
76. Rep.-Elect Chuy García (IL-4)
77. Rep. Mike Quigley (IL-5)
78. Rep. Raja Krishnamoorthi (IL-8)
79. Rep. Jan Schakowsky (IL-9)
80. Rep. Bradley Schneider (IL-10)

81. Rep.-Elect Lauren Underwood (IL-14)
82. Rep. Cheri Bustos (IL-17)
83. Rep. Pete Visclosky (IN-1)
84. Rep.-Elect Sharice Davids (KS-3)
85. Rep. Cedric Richmond (LA-2)
86. Rep. Richard Neal (MA-1)
87. Rep. Joseph P. Kennedy III (MA-4)
88. Rep. Katherine Clark (MA-5)
89. Rep. Seth Moulton (MA-6)
90. Rep.-Elect Ayanna Pressley (MA-7)
91. Rep. John Sarbanes (MD-3)
92. Rep.-Elect David Trone (MD-6)
93. Rep. Jamie Raskin (MD-8)
94. Rep. Chellie Pingree (ME-1)
95. Rep. Dan Kildee (MI-5)
96. Rep.-Elect Elissa Slotkin (MI-8)
97. Rep.-Elect Andy Levin (MI-9)
98. Rep.-Elect Haley Stevens (MI-11)
99. Rep. Brenda Lawrence (MI-14)
100. Rep.-Elect Dean Phillips (MN-3)
101. Rep.-Elect Ilhan Omar (MN-5)
102. Rep. Emanuel Cleaver (MO-5)
103. Rep. Gregorio Kilili Camacho Sablan (MP-1)
104. Rep. G.K. Butterfield (NC-1)
105. Rep. David Price (NC-4)
106. Rep. Alma Adams (NC-12)
107. Rep.-Elect Chris Pappas (NH-1)
108. Rep. Donald Norcross (NJ-1)
109. Rep.-Elect Jeff Van Drew (NJ-2)
110. Rep. Josh Gottheimer (NJ-5)
111. Rep. Frank Pallone (NJ-6)
112. Rep. Albio Sires (NJ-8)
113. Rep. Bill Pascrell (NJ-9)
114. Rep. Bonnie Watson Coleman (NJ-12)
115. Rep.-Elect Deb Haaland (NM-1)
116. Rep.-Elect Xochitl Torres Small (NM-2)
117. Rep. Dina Titus (NV-1)
118. Rep.-Elect Susie Lee (NV-3)
119. Rep.-Elect Steven Horsford (NV-4)
120. Rep. Gregory Meeks (NY-5)

121. Rep. Grace Meng (NY-6)
122. Rep. Yvette Clarke (NY-9)
123. Rep. Jerrold Nadler (NY-10)
124. Rep.-Elect Max Rose (NY-11)
125. Rep. Carolyn Maloney (NY-12)
126. Rep. Adriano Espaillat (NY-13)
127. Rep. José Serrano (NY-15)
128. Rep. Eliot Engel (NY-16)
129. Rep. Nita Lowey (NY-17)
130. Rep. Sean Patrick Maloney (NY-18)
131. Rep.-Elect Antonio Delgado (NY-19)
132. Rep. Paul Tonko (NY-20)
133. Rep.-Elect Anthony Brindisi (NY-22)
134. Rep.-Elect Joe Morelle (NY-25)
135. Rep. Brian Higgins (NY-26)
136. Rep. Marcy Kaptur (OH-9)
137. Rep. Marcia Fudge (OH-11)
138. Rep. Suzanne Bonamici (OR-1)
139. Rep. Kurt Schrader (OR-5)
140. Rep.-Elect Madeleine Dean (PA-4)
141. Rep.-Elect Mary Gay Scanlon (PA-5)
142. Rep.-Elect Matt Cartwright (PA-8)
143. Rep. Brendan Boyle (PA-13)
144. Rep. Mike Doyle (PA-14)
145. Rep. Conor Lamb (PA-18)
146. Rep. Steve Cohen (TN-9)
147. Rep. Al Green (TX-9)
148. Rep. Vicente González (TX-15)
149. Rep.-Elect Veronica Escobar (TX-16)
150. Rep. Sheila Jackson Lee (TX-18)
151. Rep. Joaquin Castro (TX-20)
152. Rep. Henry Cuellar (TX-28)
153. Rep. Eddie Bernice Johnson (TX-30)
154. Rep. Marc Veasey (TX-33)
155. Rep. Lloyd Doggett (TX-35)
156. Rep.-Elect Elaine Luria (VA-2)
157. Rep. Robert C. "Bobby" Scott (VA-3)
158. Rep. A. Donald McEachin (VA-4)
159. Rep. Don Beyer (VA-8)
160. Rep. Gerald E. Connolly (VA-11)

161. Rep. Peter Welch (VT-1)
162. Rep. Suzan DelBene (WA-1)
163. Rep. Derek Kilmer (WA-6)
164. Rep. Pramila Jayapal (WA-7)
165. Rep. Adam Smith (WA-9)
166. Rep. Denny Heck (WA-10)
167. Rep. Mark Pocan (WI-2)
168. Rep. Gwen Moore (WI-4)